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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

*Re: AU Docket No 06-30; WT Docket No. 05-211; **EX PARTE***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to advise you that on Friday, March 24, 2006, David Salant of the ERS Group, on behalf of Leap Wireless International, Inc. ("Leap") spoke telephonically with Evan Kwerel of the Commission's Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis.

On the call, Dr. Salant further explained Leap's view about how preserving auction transparency mitigates risks facing small and regional bidders. Dr. Salant also discussed the merits of possible intermediate levels of transparency proposed in this proceeding, including the eligibility ratio proposal of T-Mobile and Professor Peter Cramton, and the "snapshot" proposal of United States Cellular Corporation and Professor Robert Weber.

Dr. Salant noted that the Commission could adopt a compromise featuring the full transparency of the T-Mobile proposal if the threshold eligibility ratio is reached, but "fall back" to Professor Weber's "snapshot" proposal if the desired eligibility ratio were not achieved. This would mean that bidders' individual remaining eligibility levels would be disclosed on a round-by-round basis in any case – when initial eligibility ratio is high, there is full transparency, and when eligibility is below the Cramton threshold, the round-by-round eligibility of each bidder would be disclosed, along with a "snapshot" of bidder identities in either a pre-set or randomly generated number of rounds. Dr. Salant explained why disclosing bidder eligibility between rounds would be beneficial to bidders and increase efficiency of the auction while still concealing detailed information about bids by each bidder.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

- /s/ -

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